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Marketing for Organic Fertilizers
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has any plan/proposal to promote the organic fertilizers industry and for more marketing of organic fertilizer in the country; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) & (b): Under the Soil Health Management (SHM) component of National Mission of Sustainable Agriculture (NMSA), Government is encouraging the establishment of fruit/vegetable market/agro waste compost production unit (3000 Ton Per Annum (TPA) capacity), under Capital Investment Subsidy Scheme (CISS) through National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD). The financial assistance is provided @33% for farmers/individual/private agencies including the youth of total financial outlay (TFO) limited to Rs.63 lakh, whichever is less and 100% assistance to State Govt./ Govt. Agencies upto a maximum limit of Rs.190.0 lakhs /unit for 3000 TPA production capacity. The details of funds released as subsidy to various states for setting up of fruit/vegetable market waste compost production unit is given in Annexure- I.

The Government of India in order to promote the use of city compost, is providing Market Development Assistance of Rs. 1500/- Metric tonne for marketing of the city compost.